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37 CFR 1.195. Affidavits or declarations after appeal.

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Applicant's Amended Appeal Brief submitted 17 October 2003 has corrected the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION as previously required. However, Applicant has not provided a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the Declaration under 37 C.F.R.

1.132 was not earlier presented. Applicant states (page 2, lines 3-5) "reasons incorporated herein provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons as to why the Declaration had not been submitted earlier during the prosecution..". However, no such reasons are incorporated. Applicant merely states (page 13, lines 1-2) that the Declaration supports Appellants' arguments. Hence Applicant has not meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.195.

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